

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: B. Taylor
MOTONORI SANO)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2617
Application No.: 10/054,908)	
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Filed: January 25, 2002)	
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For: METHOD FOR PROVIDING)	
ADDITIONAL SERVICE BY	:	
A COMMUNICATION)	
COMPANY	:	January 29, 2007 (Monday)

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Commissioner for Patents
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of a Notice of Allowance dated October 27, 2006 in the above-referenced application. The issue fee is due on January 27, 2007, and is being paid concurrently herewith.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Reasons for Allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowability on the grounds that (a) Claim 7 does not recite “providing the additional service to the called party based on a communication time” and “the discount calculated in accordance with the communication time”, rather, Claim 7 recites “providing the additional service to the called party based on an amount of communication” and “the

discount calculated in accordance with the amount of communication”, (b) Claims 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 15 do not recite the combination of features listed in the second paragraph on page 2 of the Notice, (c) the claims do not recite “thereby providing the discount to the called party in real time”, (d) the claims are not limited to the embodiment shown in Figure 3 or any other embodiment disclosed in the specification, and (e) the claims do not recite “strictly limit[ing] a discount based solely on a current received telephone call and the discount can only be provide [sic, provided] to the next outgoing call made by the called party.”

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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